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Autumn arrives

The temperature changed to a cool, enjoyable fall day for the first day of fall this week. Valerie Carriker was one of many NWMSU students who found the change a good chance to practice on the guitar, play a quick game of touch football or just sit outside and study.

Festivities scheduled for Homecoming '79

Homecoming '79 festivities will start with NWMSU's annual Variety Show beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theatre on Oct. 16.

The variety show will be highlighted by the Homecoming Queen announcement. On Oct. 19, the alumni will gather for their annual celebration. After the Oct. 18 show, there will be a Bearcat pep rally.

Other activities scheduled include: the golden anniversary banquet on noon, Oct. 19, in the Blue Room of the Student Union Building where the class of '29 will gather to celebrate the 50th anniversary of its graduation year; the Northwest Iowa alumni breakfast at 7:30 a.m., Oct. 20, in the east cafeteria, Student Union Building. Special ground breaking ceremonies at 8:45 a.m., Oct. 20, for the new Olympic swimming pool and Lamkin Gym addition, taking place on the field between Lamkin and Horace Mann; Homecoming

Parade begins at 9:30 a.m., Oct. 20, traveling from the Fine Arts Building down Fourth St. to the city square and returning to the Fine Arts Building down Third St.; the alumni luncheon beginning at 11 a.m., Oct. 20; Jim Redd's Bearcats take on Northeast Missouri at 2 p.m., Oct. 20 in Rickenbrode Stadium; in the National Guard Armory from 5 to 7 p.m., Oct. 20, will be the M-Club, Bearcat Booster Club, and the alumni reception where the Don Black Trophy will be presented; second annual alumni party from 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Oct. 20, at the National Guard Armory for all alumni to gather on Homecoming night.

Vinnie Vaccaro, alumni director and executive secretary at NWMSU, said "the students make it for the alumni at Homecoming. I've been at various other homecomings and they just can't beat NWMSU's displays of brilliance in the floats and parades."

HUD loan expected

By Bill Hayden
Staff Writer

Next spring NWMSU will begin the renovation of Roberta Hall, with the updating of the plumbing system and the replacement of electrical and heating systems. These and other various energy-saving devices will be installed to meet with the energy conservation program.

"The one big question mark is whether or not our loan will be approved by HUD (Housing and Urban Development), and that's what we're waiting for," said Dr. Robert Bush, vice president for environmental development.

Northwest has asked HUD for a \$660,000 low-interest loan for building improvements. To receive such a loan, the HUD regional office rates the importance of the project in three different categories: 1) a good project worthy of a loan, 2) it may be worthy but has some technical problems, and 3) it is totally inappropriate. Northwest was given a No. 1 rating by the regional office.

"Since we received a good rating from the HUD regional office, we shouldn't have any problems about getting it," Bush said.

The school will wait until early spring before starting any work on the hall, so

there won't be a problem about heating the dormitory, Bush said.

This will be the first major renovation for the building which houses about 190 women. Bush said that they plan to do about 50 percent of the repairs, let the girls move in, then finish up the last 50 percent.

Much of the work that takes place will be done on the outside. Storm windows are going to be placed on 265 windows, the brick exterior will be retuckpointed in various places and the roof will be repaired.

The plumbing and electrical systems will be updated to work more efficiently. Bush said that they will do most of that work themselves.

When the renovations are completed they will cut down heating and cooling costs and conserve energy and save the school money.

Dr. Bush stated that there may be a problem with working around the people but they won't worry about that till the loan is approved.

"We have to consider other things on campus too, like the Administration Building and the new temporary building going up," he said.

The work on Roberta Hall will be spread out over a period of time, Bush said.

"We just can't do major work like this in three months," he said.

Fee increase likely

By Suzle Zillner
Editor

Student fees at NWMSU will probably be increased next year. That's what President B.D. Owens told the Board of Regents members at their meeting last Wednesday.

Dr. John Mees, vice president of student development, said he seriously doubts that there will be a fee increase for the spring semester. However, Mees speculates that an increase in fees for the fall semester could range from \$15 to \$30.

"Right now, we're reviewing our state appropriations and our increased costs to see where we stand," Mees said. "We're also looking to see what other institutions are planning to do. It appears that most institutions will have increases in fees by next fall," he said.

Mees predicted that an increase will appear in food, housing and tuition costs by next fall.

"In the past, we've tried not to increase all three costs at one time, but there's been such an increase in inflation this year that I think we'll have to raise everything," Mees said. "Last year, I think there was less than a 10 percent increase in fees over the year before," he said.

Mees said it was difficult to say when the decision to raise the tuition would be made. However, he predicted the announcement would be made in a few months.

"A year ago, we considered an increased tuition rate in October. The year before, we were considering it in January, or February, and in previous years, it wasn't discussed until April or May," Mees said. "That didn't give us adequate time to prepare and analyze the situation. Now, we've got two months to finalize the decision," he said.

Mees said the administration analyzes several areas when it considers a rate increase.

"We have to look at our total operation," Mees said. "We look at maintenance costs, personnel salaries, electricity rates, gas rates, vandalism and theft costs and general wear-and-tear costs. It's a long and drawn out process, but we try to build an effective budget by balancing our income," he said.

At the Board of Regents meeting, Owens presented recommendations for budget increases for the 1980-81 fiscal year. The Board approved an 11 percent increase in the salary budget and a 10 percent increase in operating budgets.

Owens also told the Board that the University faces a 14.8 percent increase in natural gas costs and a 12.9 percent increase in electricity costs, Mees said.

Another factor in determining a tuition increase is the inflationary increase in equipment costs, Mees said.

"A book which cost \$12 five years ago costs \$24 today. It's the same with laboratory equipment," he said. "What we could buy for \$5 five years ago, costs

us \$20 today. Equipment costs have really escalated," he said.

"What we're doing right now is looking at national statistics and trying to figure out what we have to have to break even," Mees said.

He said the University plans to remain competitive with the other state institutions.

"I think in the state, we're fairly competitive," Mees said. "State funding has been tighter since the late '60s and early '70s, so competition is important," he said.

Mees doesn't think the tuition increase will have much of an effect on enrollment.

"If dollars are different at various schools, then the student will have to take a look at course offerings and actually visit the campus. That's one of our strengths," Mees said. "I think the bulk will still see us as a place to get quality education at a minimal cost," Mees said.

Mees said the increase in enrollment will continue to help the University's cost appropriations. "However, more people will demand more services and space," Mees said.

Charles Veatch, director of admissions, doesn't think the tuition increase will affect next year's recruitment efforts.

"We're all in a situation where we just expect costs to increase," Veatch said. "Other institutions will increase, too, but I think we'll have a relative advantage because I suspect the others will have a larger increase," he said.

Delta Chi's receive award

The NWMSU chapter of Delta Chi received one of 10 awards of excellence awarded nationally, at a recent National Convention of Delta Chi chapters, held in Iowa City, Iowa.

The award was based on campus activities, community activities and intramurals the chapter participated in, NWMSU Delta Chi President Larry Loghry said.

Other considerations included a swimathon and a softball tournament organized by the chapter. The chapter was also rated on campus, with a poll taken nationally.

"It was good for us," Loghry said. "We were the chapter from the smallest university to get an award. The other chapters were larger, like Arizona State."

Loghry, Doug Carmen, rush chairman for this semester, and Joe Donovan, one of the chapter's new advisors, were at the conference to accept the award.

The Delta Chi chapter has been on the NWMSU campus for over 10 years, and currently has 53 active members.

Senate selects four delegates

Student Senate delegates were chosen Tuesday night to attend the Missouri Collegiate Student Government Association convention next month.

Joe Pickard, Jerry Fish, Dave Hart and Eric Mattson were selected the voting delegates to go. Others attending will be Lisa Bates, Dan Canchola, Sherry Turner, Becky Claytor and Candee Clough.

This convention, an annual meeting of the association, will be held in Kirksville Oct. 5 and 6.

The pass/fail system was also discussed. No clear-cut policy concerning this exists now, since the old policy has been changed. But the policy is being checked into, President Roger Scarborough said.

Sigma Phi Epsilon, the proposed new fraternity, appeared before the Senate for approval as an organization. The Student Affairs Committee is currently discussing the possibility.

WEATHER

Clear to partly cloudy and warm through Sunday. Chance of showers Friday and Saturday. Highs near 80 and lows in the mid 50's.

Director Cremer plans security turnaround

By Doug Geer
Staff Writer

Getting the campus security department turned around in the right direction, improving the student-security relationship and improving communication between the student body and security are the goals of new Security Director Jim Cremer.

"When I was here last month for a 48-hour period, I had the opportunity to find out some of the problems here," Cremer said. "I saw a real challenge here to turn things around. That was one reason for me coming here--to change things around."

While Cremer visited the campus a month ago, Cremer met with the administration and discussed some of the problems within the security department.

"I told the administration that I was enthusiastic about helping with the situation and gave an insight of my philosophy on campus problems," Cremer said. "We also related my views on potential problems and discussed, in general, all of the problems," he said.

One of the problems Cremer faces is the decision to use the three-wheeled Cushman vehicle in his department.

Cremer said he has not had the chance to look into the use of the Cushman yet.

"I don't feel Cushman's are inherently unsafe or inherently safe," Cremer said. "It will depend on the driving conditions to determine their safety," he said.

Cremer said he sees some strengths in the security department and in the institution itself.

"Within security, there is a great desire of the individuals to do a good job," Cremer said. "There is also internal and external strength in that the institution's desire for a better quality service. This is another reason why I came here--because of the tremendous and apparent support of the administration. How can you go wrong when everyone is looking to improve the situation?" he said.

The University has its weaknesses, too, Cremer said. The lack of resources because of shrinking budgets and the ever-shrinking dollar are several weak spots that can't be helped, he said. Cremer did say, however, that the University will be able to work things out.

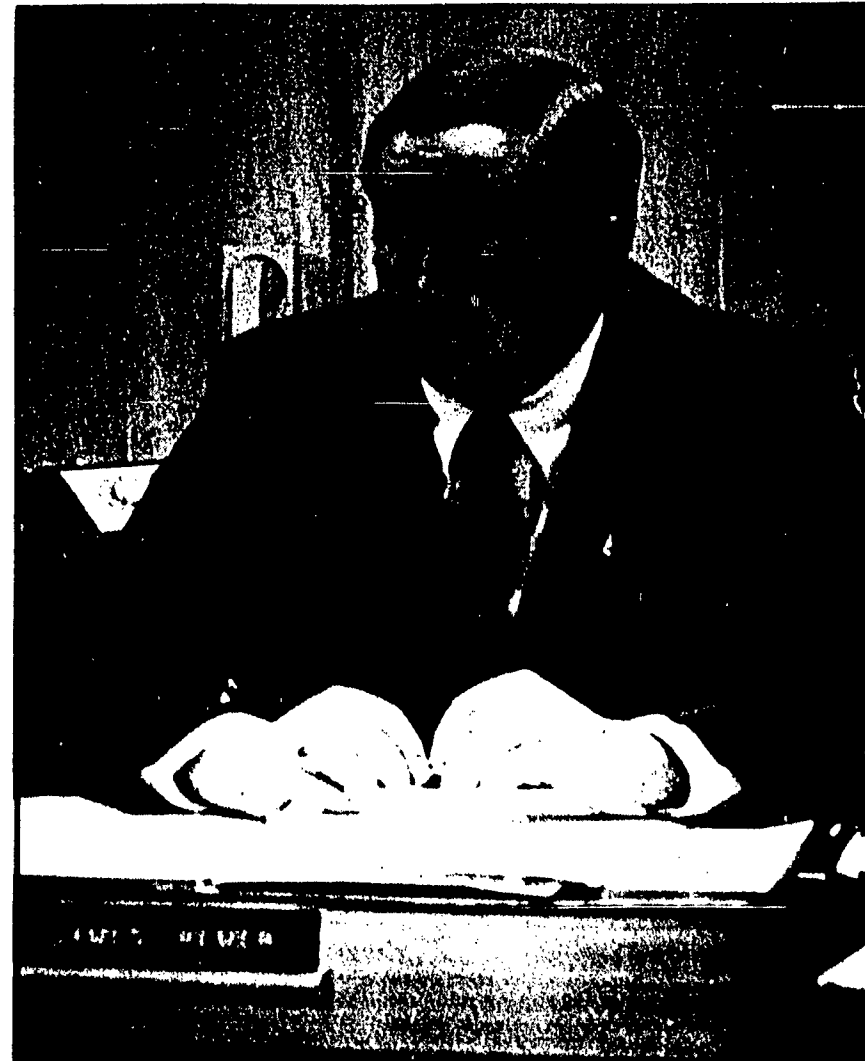
Another one of the problems facing

Cremer is the relationship between the student body and security. In the past, relations between security and the students have not been outstanding, but Cremer said he plans to change the relationship.

"I assure you it will change and soon," Cremer said. "We are here to be a part of the community as opposed to being apart from it. Improving communication between this office and the student is something that we need to do. I plan to let the students have direct access to me at all times, especially when they need me. Not only will this office be open to the student, but I am also ready to go to the students and to be among them," he said.

Cremer said his new job will be a great challenge for him but said he is enthusiastic about working for the University and working out the problems in the security department.

"Upgrading the quality of service to the institution and maintaining and improving the quality of officers along with improving the student-security relationship are things that need to be done," Cremer said. "I see the future as very bright here."



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James Cremer, director of security

Campus Briefs

Doctor speaks to NWMSU

Dr. Hsu Chia-yu, associate professor of medicine at Shanghai Number 2 Medical College in the People's Republic of China, spoke of the advances in medicine made by his country since the Chinese revolution was concluded in 1949 by the victory of the Communist forces, during his address here Sept. 20.

He talked about the Chinese Revolution, which he said was the only way out for the people. He also quoted Edgar Snow's "Journey from the Beginning," in which Snow talked about Old China's backwardness, oppression, waste of human life and lack of human dignity.

In his discussion of medical advances, he talked about the use of acupuncture, particularly as it relates to use as an anesthetic.

Welsh to perform folklore Oct. 9

Roger Welsh, a noted folklorist, will perform at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 9 in the Charles Johnson Theatre. The folklorist is sponsored by the English department colloquium of NWMSU.

Welsh will also talk to various classes at 3 p.m. in the third floor lounge of the Student Union. Refreshments will be served after the evening performance in the lobby of the Fine Arts Building.

Student teachers to meet

A meeting for spring semester, 1980, student teachers will be held at 8:00 p.m., Oct. 8 in Horace Mann Auditorium.

SUB to present films

The Student Union Board will present the film *Midnight Express* 7 p.m., Sept. 27 and 28, in the Horace Mann Auditorium.

Ice Castles will be presented Oct. 4 and 5. Admission for all films is 75 cents.

Speech Department to compete

NWMSU speech communication department will compete intercollegiately in public speaking and oral interpretation events in area speech tournaments during the 1979-80 academic year.

The seven-member squad will compete against Creighton University, the University of Nebraska-Omaha, Kansas State University and William Jewell College.

The newly formed 1979-80 Individual Events Forensic Team are: Susan Kavanaugh, Mary Kay McDermott, Carrie Kern, Joel Dorr, Chris Hughes, Rachelle Barnamn, Brad Herrin, Kathy Fountain and Joyce Waishahn.

Speaker cancelled for meeting

The Northwest District of the Missouri State Teachers Association will hold their 59th annual fall meeting Oct. 5 in Lamkin Gymnasium.

Bill Monroe, moderator of NBC-TV's award-winning "Meet the Press," will not be the keynote speaker, as planned. Monroe cancelled his engagement because of other obligations. Monroe was scheduled to speak during the morning session and another address during the evening.

School of Practical Nursing elects officers

The School of Practical Nursing 1979-80 newly elected officers are: Nancy Still, president; Susan Payne, vice president; Tonya Lewis, secretary; Susan Holzfafter, treasurer; and Mary Moyer, historian.

The class of 1978-79 presented the officers with pins.

Horace Mann graduates, faculty to reunite

The Horace Mann Learning Center will hold its annual Homecoming celebration 6:30 p.m., Oct. 20, in the Union Building.

All Horace Mann graduates and former faculty members may participate. For reservations, contact Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jones, 582-2730, or Mrs. Ross Mongold, 582-5041, by Oct. 17.

Disco Dance set for Sept. 29

A 'Disco' Dance Contest, sponsored by F.U.N. Production, will be at 8 p.m., Sept. 29, in the Spanish Den.

This will be the preliminaries for the contest, as eight couples will be chosen to compete in the final dance contest, held Oct. 13, to allow two weeks preparation.

A trophy and prizes will be awarded to the winners. Participants may sign up in the Union Office.

1978-80 Graduate Assistantships awarded

Dr. Leon Miller, dean of the graduate school at NWMSU, has announced the names of 40 University graduate students awarded Graduate Assistantships for the 1979-80 academic year.

The graduate assistantship recipients serve as teaching, research and administrative assistants while they work on post-baccalaureate degrees. In return for their services, they receive an annual stipend determined by the number of hours worked in their assigned areas.

New lot planned to ease parking jam

By Kelly Hamilton
Staff Writer

A new student parking lot is being tentatively planned for next year to help compensate for a student parking problem, Director of Grounds Wilbur Adams said.

The lot will be located behind the University water tower near Garrett-Strong. The lot will be used mainly by students from the highrise dorms, Adams said.

"We definitely have a parking problem," he said. "They're (students) parked all over our grass."

To help out the problem this year, a parking lot has been opened on Seventh Street, west of Christ's Way Inn.

"We have an agreement with Christ's Way Inn to use the graveled area," Adams said.

This year, 1,935 student parking permits were sold. On Sept. 26, a count was taken by security officers of student parking spaces. The spaces totaled 1,187. This total was not known at the beginning of the year when 1,186 on-campus permits were sold. The count for off-campus parking came to 400 spaces to cover the 749 off-campus permits sold.

Director of Security Jim Cremer did not comment on parking policies having only been on campus since Sept. 24. But he did say that most universities' policies state that the purchase of a parking permit does not guarantee a space.

Some students living on campus were forced to buy off-campus permits, causing many irritated students.

"I don't see why anyone living on



Missourian Photo/Kelly Hamilton

Illegally parked cars line the road just north of Roberta Hall. A new parking lot is being planned to help ease the parking problem at NWMSU. The new lot will be located behind the university water tower near Garrett-Strong.

campus should have to buy an off-campus parking sticker," Shelly Turnure said. She said she was told she could park in an area near the bus barns.

"But I don't think it's right to park and leave my car over there, and then walk all the way back to Roberta, especially at night by myself."

Another student, after having to park in an isolated area of the Phillips parking lot, found his car in a ditch the next day.

"If I have to park way down there, security should be there more to catch the guys like the ones who picked up my car and put it in a ditch," Bill Fellows said.

"I want to find out what we need before bad weather, but I also want to be certain we get the best possible solution," Cremer said.

"The administration is sensitive to the problem, that's why they gave me the job," Cremer said. He said he welcomes any input to the problems.

New fraternity rejected

By Jim Offner
Staff Writer

Sigma Phi Epsilon's march toward colonization on the NWMSU campus was halted at a Sept. 19 meeting of the Inter Fraternity Council.

In a lopsided decision, the IFC voted down a request for colony status by the new fraternity. An approval would have permitted the group to participate in fall and spring rush this year.

According to council members, acceptance of the group would have caused an imbalance between sororities and fraternities on campus and quite possibly could have caused one of the existing organizations to fold. The IFC also disapproved of the tactics of the Sig Phi national representative, Craig Foster, who was on campus to help launch the project.

"Foster was not playing by the rules," said one IFC member.

To petition for colony status, an organization must approach the council with at least 10 members to make their request. Instead, Foster pledged 15 men immediately and wanted to begin a rush campaign with or without the IFC's approval. Fred Barta, the group's president, said he disagreed with the way Foster had handled the situation, but apparently damage had been done.

The council expressed concern about

the smaller fraternities' situations, pointing out that the numbers of college students in the coming years will be decreasing.

"We're not convinced that this campus can support another fraternity," said Larry Loghry, IFC president.

One IFC member suggested that before the council accepted a new organization, all of the existing fraternities should work together to strengthen themselves and the entire Greek system as a whole. The council agreed that there must be standards set up to strengthen the smaller organizations before a new fraternity could be admitted. Possible standards suggested by members included minimum membership quotas for each fraternity to insure their stability.

The present rush system was also cited as a major obstacle to all of the fraternities' rush procedures. Under the present system, first semester freshmen are ineligible to pledge. Loghry assured that the IFC "will attempt to restructure rush."

Although the Sigma Phi Epsilon group was denied colony status, the IFC gave them several options and urged the men to reapply for colonization status next semester. Barta said that the group will form a club for the present time.



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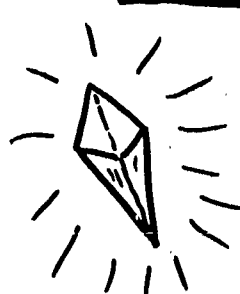
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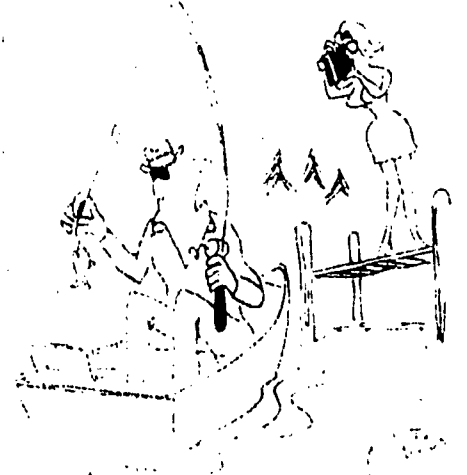
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Players deserve support

Winning ways have returned to the Bearcat football team after a 15-game drought. Everyone is happy--but no one is showing it.

Bearcat fans, it's time to rejoice. Having struggled through a 15-game winless drought, the football team finally brought one home in a nail-biting victory over Fort Hays State. Unfortunately, when the team returned to NWMSU, only a handful of people turned out to greet them.

They have played well outside of some mistakes throughout the year. But throughout the campus on the Mondays after the games, many students just sighed and said, "they lost another one."

Backing a loser is never easy. It's always easier to jump on the bandwagon of a winner. For those people who don't know it, this year's Bearcat team is a winner.

Home games are supposed to be an advantage to the home team. The team is familiar with the playing surface and has the support of the fans. NWMSU has three-fourths of that combination. The fans have turned out in good numbers, but the vocal support is weak.

Vinnie Vaccaro, NWMSU alumni director, summed up the situation best. The potential is there, he said. The tradition needs to start somewhere. Now is as good a time as any.

Kevin Vail/Staff Writer

Parents Day, a good program

NWMSU's second annual Parents Day is Saturday. Last year when the even was held, the University experienced a magnificent turnout from both parents and relatives.

Approximately 2,200 parents are expected to visit the campus Saturday.

The large turnout shows how much the parents care about what the University offers.

Parents will have the opportunity to meet with their son's/daughter's instructors, visit their dorm rooms or learn about the different campus activities.

Parents Day is an ideal situation and should continue to grow and develop in the future.

Randy Poe/Staff Writer

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Editor's Note: Although Mike Van Guilder's letter to the editor exceeds the Missourian's 350-word limit policy, the Missourian will run his letter in its entirety.

Editor:

I normally do not like to get involved with writing letters to the editor. It becomes a no-win situation. If you try to clarify or correct previously published articles, you stand the chance of having your letter negated by a clever "editor's note". Because of last week's cheap-shot attack on Phillips Hall, I am willing to take the chance that the Missourian will want to help correct a gross injustice.

I was so disgusted by Don Reed's article on Phillips Hall that I felt obligated to set the record straight. It is extremely difficult to defend against an attack that is based on half truth and innuendo.

Don Reed owes the men of Phillips Hall an apology. They are not animals and they do not live in a zoo!! Don's unwarranted and sensationalized attack on Phillips Hall was obviously not based on any investigation of the facts concerning the issues he presented. Don has based his allegations on only the barest shreds of information. If he had investigated, his conclusions would have been vastly different. For example, he cites four separate instances of alleged vandalism. All occurred on the sixth floor of Phillips Hall.

Fortunately, these are the only reported instances of vandalism thus far in the Hall. He mentioned that two

windows were broken. What he did not mention is that both were accidental and were reported by the students responsible to their resident assistant. This hardly would be expected from "immature animals."

Concerning the wall panel that was kicked in, the Hall Staff is investigating this at the present time. Because of the close proximity of the elevators to these walls, it is possible for someone to stop on a floor, walk off the elevator, kick a hole in the wall and step back on the elevator and be undetected.

As for the wall that was "partially knocked down", I must assume that Don is referring to the single cement block in room 601 that was broken last year, but only recently replaced. Referring back to last year's records, I found that none other than Mr. Don Reed lived in room 601!! I had assumed the block had cracked because of an architectural flaw; but on second thought, maybe Don could shed some additional light on this!

Don would lead all to believe that the Hall staff has done little or nothing to curb the alleged immature behavior. If he'd only asked he would have found that to this point in the new school year, over twenty students have received "conduct warnings and have been written up" for violations of University policies. This certainly does not lend support to his allegations. The violations mentioned run the gamut from excessive noise to possession of drugs.

The Hall Staff does not relish the responsibility of enforcing the rules, but

they do and they do a very commendable job of it.

Don further suggests no one is concerned about the "problems and nothing is being done." If Don had only asked someone, he would have known that the Hall Council has met and discussed Hall vandalism and renovations on three separate occasions.

Don has also charged that the main desk at Phillips Hall has been left unattended and that students cannot get their mail. If Don would have asked, he would have known that because of budgetary restrictions, the desk has to be operated by work-study students. Unfortunately because of recent changes in the financial aids laws, the numbers of students on work-study has declined. Additionally, those who are on work have smaller allotments. With these added problems, the effort to fill desk was much more difficult than in past years. Even though there were only a few hours to be filled, I regret any inconvenience that it may have caused. The problem has been corrected and the desk is now fully operational.

As for the students not being able to get their mail, I can't understand what Don is talking about. As he well knows each resident has their own mailbox and that they can get their mail anytime they choose.

I am fully aware that the problems do

exist in Phillips Hall. But they are not of the magnitude Don Reed implies. The problems are being worked on by the Hall Staff and the Hall Council, contrary to his allegations that nothing is being done. I encourage Don and any others that may have a complaint to notify their R.A., or their Hall Council representative, so that it can be taken care of.

Because of a length limitation, I cannot comment on all the allegations made by Don. I would be more than willing to discuss with anyone who wants to get a true picture of the conditions within Phillips Hall.

I do feel an obligation to make a statement concerning the tone of Don's article. It was pure sensationalized tripe. It was a good example of an article you'd expect to find in National Enquirer, but not in the Northwest Missourian. I realize that the Missourian serves as an educational tool for the journalism department. I think Don has failed to learn a very basic lesson concerning newspaper work. This lesson involves the need for a good reporter to investigate fully to determine all of the facts so that they are able to present them as accurately and fairly as possible.

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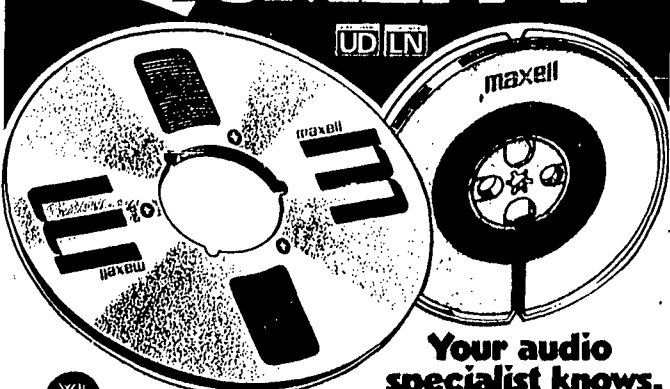


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ENTERTAINMENT

Steppin' Out

Muppets make Hollywood debut

By Janice Corder
Entertainment Editor

After guest spots on talk shows and a successful TV show, Jim Henson and the Muppets have gone on to star in their own movie, accurately entitled **The Muppet Movie**.

The Muppet Movie, probably the first major motion picture with a cloth frog as the leading man, starts 8 p.m., Sept. 28 at the Missouri Theater. Although the Muppets are the stars of the film, it also includes guest appearances by Mel Brooks, Orson Wells, Cloris Leachman, Dom DeLuise, Charles Durning, Telly Savalas and Steve Martin.

Although it seems a movie about puppets would just be something to take your little brother or sister to, **The Muppet Movie** is more than expected. Throughout the film, famous scenes from classic Hollywood movies are satirized by the Muppets. Love scenes are played for laughs in Miss Piggy's fantasy of her blossoming romance with Kermit the Frog. And remember the famous showdown with Gary Cooper in **High Noon**? Kermit and villain, Durning, act out that scene in the conclusion of their cross-country chase.

Besides satire, **The Muppet Movie** offers comedy, music and even a very followable plot. The film begins in a swamp with talent agent DeLuise encouraging the banjo-strumming frog to try his luck in Hollywood. Kermit sets out to become a star, picking up Fozzie Bear, Miss Piggy and a host of other Muppets on the way. He is also pursued by Doc Hopper, a conniving fast-food tycoon who wants Kermit to be his spokesman for his latest delicacy, french fried frog legs. One particularly hilarious scene involves Steve Martin, the surly waiter, serving lovers Kermit and Miss Piggy at the El Sleazo Cafe.

Of course, **The Muppet Movie** is not for everyone. No matter how much satire, plot and comedy, the film is still mostly about the Muppets and may be too cutesy for some. The movie is rated G.

The Tivoli is changing show times this week with the debut of **The Villain**, 7 and 9 p.m., Sept. 28. The film is a comedy-western, where dramatic actor, Kirk Douglas, makes his comic "debut". Douglas plays Cactus Jack Slade, the West's most inept outlaw. When Slade tries robbing a bank, he blows up half the town without putting a dent in the safe. And when he leaps on his horse to make a quick getaway, the animal sits on its haunches with a whinnying laugh.

The Villain also needs a hero who is played by Arnold Schwarzenegger, five-time Mr. Universe. Ann-Margret stars as the tease of the Old West and Paul Lynde as Chief Nervous Elk, a hysterical Indian. The film also stars Foster Brooks, Ruth Buzzi, Jack Elam, Strother Martin and Mel Tillis. Admission is \$2.50 and the film is rated PG.

The South Cinema Drive-in is also enacting a time change which started Sept. 26, with the showing of **The Exorcist**. The Drive-in will open at 7 p.m. and the show will begin at 7:30. **The Exorcist** which was the highest-grossing movie at the time of its first release in 1974, is based on the popular novel by William Peter Blatty. The story involves the possession of a young girl, played by Linda Blair, in Georgetown, Washington, D.C. After trying everything to cure her strange behavior, an elderly priest, Max Von Sydow, is called in to exorcise the devil out of her. The movie also stars Kitty Winn, Lee J. Cobb and Jason Miller.

Although devil possession are now a familiar cliché, **The Exorcist** was the first of its kind and is considered the most terrifying and the best. The movie is rated R.

Union Board will present **Midnight Express** at 7 p.m., Sept. 27-28 at Horace Mann Auditorium. The film is based on the book of the same name by Billy Hayes about his experiences in a Turkish prison. As Hayes is leaving Turkey for the United States, smuggling



Local beauty queen, Miss Piggy, and her leading man, Kermit the Frog, share a romantic moment in this scene from **The Muppet Movie**, starting Sept. 28 at the Missouri Theater.

a relatively small amount of hash, he is searched and thrown in jail. He spends several years in the Turkish prison and near his release date, he finds out the judge has decided to make an example of him and increase his sentence to 30 years.

Midnight Express goes on to reveal the horrors of a foreign prison and Hayes' fight to get out. The sound track is especially well-written and the movie

was nominated for Best Picture. **Midnight Express** is rated R and very gory.

F.U.N. Production will sponsor a disco dance contest at 8 p.m., Sept. 29 at the Spanish Den. Admission is 50 cents and \$1 for the entry fee. Eight finalists will be chosen at this contest and the finals will be Oct. 13. Prizes will also be awarded.

THE STROLLER

After years and years of Maryville entertainment, Your Stroller is suffering from an acute case of concert fever. To relieve this illness, I decided to find out for sure who was this year's Homecoming band.

The rumors have been as thick as flies in the SAGA cafeteria, but no one seems to know for sure who's going to play. I decided you can learn a lot by reading "the writing on the wall" so I first tried the bathroom. After an in-depth search I saw that dorm council had announced the bands as Missouri, Morning Star and the Flying Burrito Brothers.

Despite this official-looking announcement, more rumors were circulating that this was not for sure. A mellow, long-haired, freaky guy with love beads and a fossilized peace necklace told me it was definitely Peter, Paul and Mary.

"Who?" I stammered.

"Oh, you know, man," he answered through his rose-colored glasses. "They're real groovy."

Next I ran into a soft-talking, shy, little girl who came nervously up to me.

"Hey, baby," she whispered in my ear. "Have you heard who the Homecoming band is?"

"No. Who is it?" I answered eagerly.

I was thoroughly disappointed when she informed me that England Dan and John Ford Coley were making a return engagement at Lamkin Gym.

That didn't seem right either so I sat down to think about this dilemma. While I was pondering, a girl in a slinky satin outfit with stars painted on her face danced by.

Thinking quickly and using any excuse to talk to her, I asked her who the Homecoming band was.

"Not missing a step, she answered, "Oh, I'm sure it's Donna Summer."

After my short conversation with her, I met up with a bearded man assuring me it was Heart, but we've heard that every year.

One thing I can count on is that it's not Heart. Actually, I was hoping for Johnny Rotten and the Sex Pistols.

Once again I set off wandering Missouri's Most Beautiful campus. I spotted a hysterical young lady running down the sidewalk screaming, "They're here! They're here!"

"Who?" I demanded, knocking in front of her and nearly knocking her down.

"John, Paul, George and Ringo!" she cried. "They're in the Union confirming the deal right now."

I answered dumbly, "Yeah, yeah, yeah."

"No, really--the Beatles reunion is finally here," she said, "in our own Lamkin gym."

This episode made me almost want to throw in the towel, but I couldn't just give up.

Just as I was ready to quit, a kindly gentleman in a black suit came up to me.

He looked so dignified and respectable I went ahead and asked him my question.

"Don't you know," he said with an undertaker's smile. "The bands will be Jimi Hendrix, Jim Croce and Elvis Presley."

What a relief--at least I finally know.



Ribbit?

Missourian photo/Janice Corder

Kermit the Frog is becoming a familiar sight in the south windows of Cooper this fall. Behind the famous frog is freshman Mark Fitzsimmons. Fitzsimmons took his two little sisters to see **The Muppet Movie** and they bought him the puppet before he came to NWMSU.

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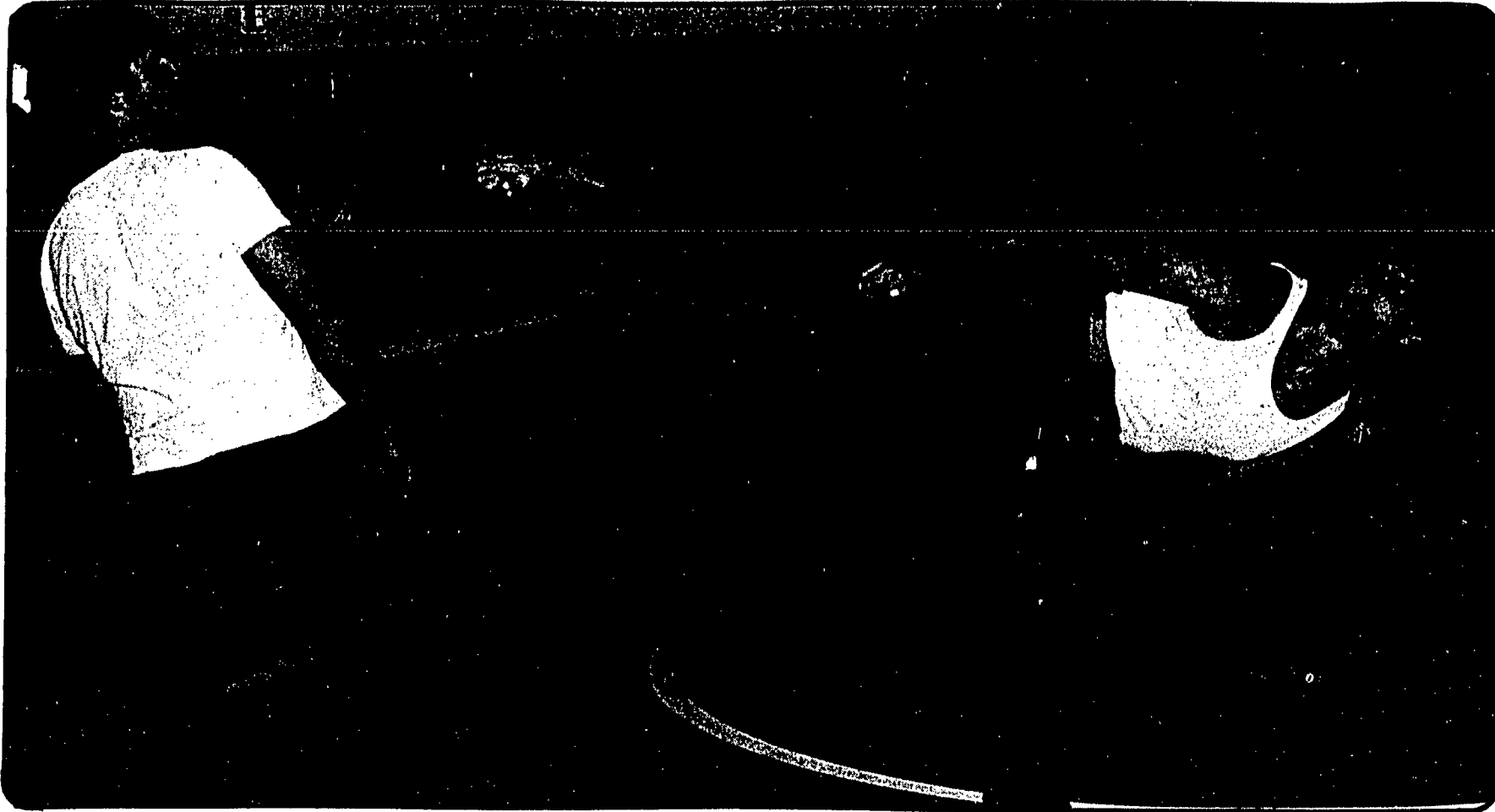
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Left photo: Martial Arts Club member Rick Fetterer places a snapping side kick to Steve Roberts. Lower right photo: Paul Veech throws a tiger mouth to Chris Mackey's throat. The purpose of the move is to disable the opponent's windpipe. Lower left photo: Dr. Christopher Kemp, club sponsor, helps Steve Roberts and Dennis Ambroske on learning the techniques of a blocking blow. Kemp describes the martial arts as a method of reflex training and mental exercise. Bottom photo: Doug Hammer is thrown by Dr. Kemp in a demonstration of a salomage move.

Martial Arts stresses quick reflexes, mind

Relaxation, building self confidence and having a good time--these are all thoughts that cross the minds of students from time to time. One way to fulfill these thoughts is to join the Martial Arts Club on campus.

This club, sponsored by Dr. Christopher Kemp, is offered to all men and women interested in learning the martial arts. Anyone is welcome to join, even beginners who know nothing about them.

Basically, the club teaches no-contact Karate. Other sports may be learned, though, including Judo, Jujitsu, and Kendo.

Dr. Kemp, who has a first degree black belt in Kendo and second degree black belts in the others, is the club's instructor. He can promote people to as far as a first-degree black belt.

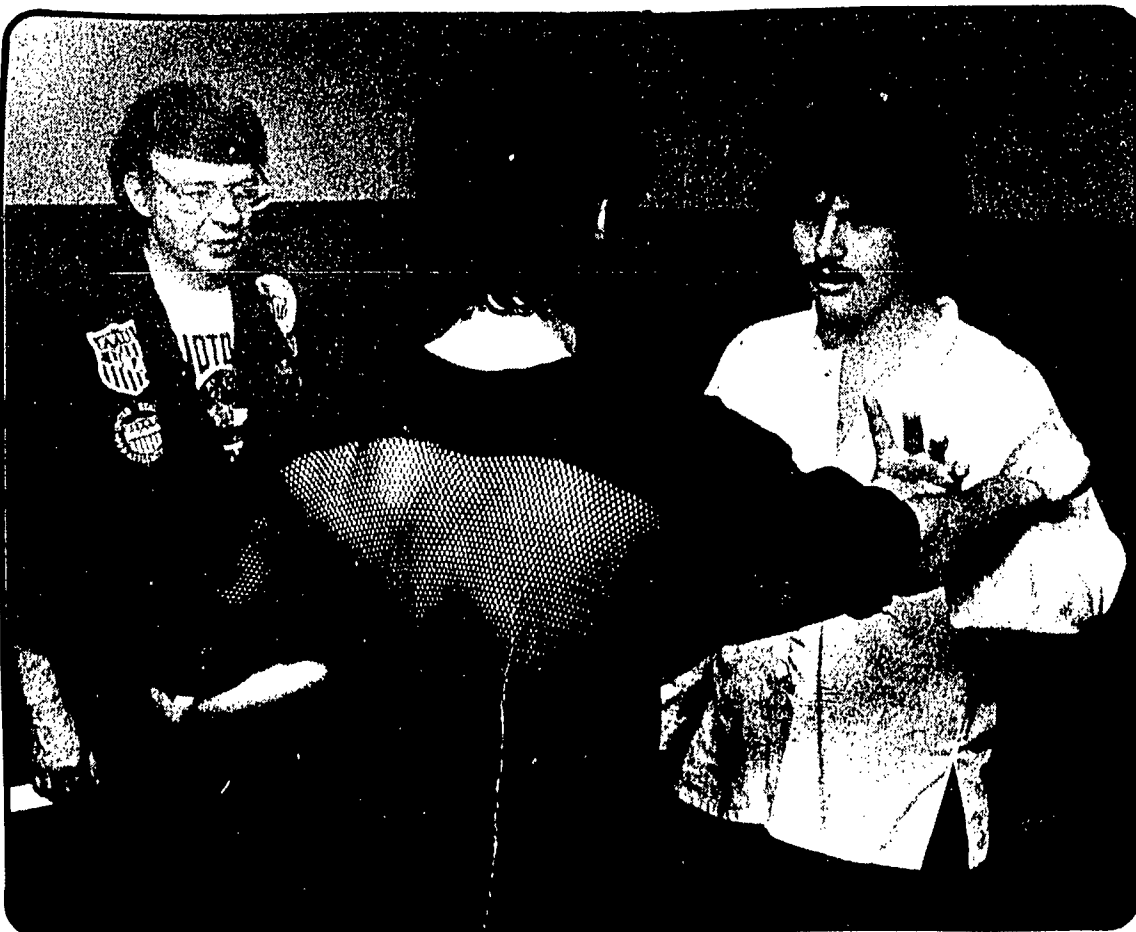
Besides the learning experience, people join for other reasons, Kemp said. "It's a good way to get your mind off your studies," said beginner Rick Fetterer.

Another member, Chris Mackey, feels that it helps him get into shape.

"You meet a lot of people, and it's just a real friendly atmosphere," said third year Dennis Ambroske. "It's not really to learn how to hurt people or anything, but how to defend myself if I have to."

Members feel that the way it is taught to them is also good. "We each get individualized instruction," commented second-year Doug Hammer.

Presently, the club consists of seven or eight members, but anyone interested may join by simply showing up at the mat room in Lamkin Gym. The club meets Tuesday evenings from 8 to 9:30 and Thursdays from 7 to 9.



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SPORTS

'Cats break 15 game losing streak

By Kevin Vail
Staff Writer

Tenacious defense, flawless specialty units, and a first half juggernaut offense propelled the Bearcats to a 17-7 victory over host Fort Hays State, Saturday, ending the Cat's 15 game nightmare.

"Elation and relief are the two words to describe the way I feel," said Jim Redd, head coach, after the game. "Now that it's over, (losing streak) we'd like to start another string, this time one with victories."

Indeed, the 'Cats could be off and running if they play like they did at Fort Hays. Offensively the 'Cats featured two 100 yard rushers in Mark Smith, senior quarterback, picking up 142 yards on 21 carries and freshman halfback Don Lott, bullying for 109 yards for his first 100 yard college career game.

The first 'Cat score came on a 94 yard drive capped off by an eight yard run by Smith. This tied the score, as Fort Hays had scored earlier on a one yard run by Tiger quarterback, Hoskin Hogan. From this point on, the Bearcats' defensive unit took over.

Defensively, the 'Cats shut down the Tiger offense to a crawl, behind Wayne Allen, co-MIAA defensive player of the week, and Lance Corbin, Bearcat defensive player of the week. The 'Cats limited Fort Hays to a mere 79 yards on the ground and 115 yards via the air

route. Allen had two interceptions along with Randy Sandage who made his first college theft.

While the 'Cat defense held Fort Hays at bay, placekicker Shawn Geraghty gave the team an emotional lift going into halftime as he boomed a

46 yard field goal with just two seconds showing on the clock, making the score 10-7.

Second half action found the 'Cat offense sputtering, but constantly being aided by Tiger miscues on fumbled punt returns. The 'Cats were still unable to

push the ball across the goal line, though, as penalties repeatedly stopped drives (ten penalties against the 'Cats to only two against the Tigers.)

"It was disheartening not being able to take advantage of our opponents' miscues," said Redd. "It would have been easy to have said 'the heck with it' after all the penalties but the team hung tough and never had a letdown."

While the 'Cat offense struggled, the defense seemed to grow stronger as the game progressed, holding off one Tiger drive with a goal line stand at the one foot line.

With three minutes left the game appeared to be in the Bearcats' grasp, as they controlled the ball on the Tiger 40 yard line. On third down the 'Cats elected to pass but the Tiger's Vern Dozier intercepted Smith's pass and ran it back to the 'Cat 24 yard line. Here the defense came through again, forcing a fumble which was recovered by Corbin. Fort Hays regained the ball after a Bearcat punt, but Allen intercepted and ran it back 22 yards for a score. Geraghty added the PAT and the 'Cats had secured a 17-7 victory.

"I saw the quarterback scrambling and knew he was going to throw," said Allen of his interception. "He threw in the flats as he had done all game long--except I was waiting this time."

As to the turnabout of the offense, Redd credits it to hard concentration.

"Fort Hays ran an even front so we attacked the middle," said Redd. "We were successful which caused them to close down, opening up the ends. We then took to the corners and were able to run the option. We're going to have to rush the ball to win," he said.

"We also had a big improvement with our downfield blocking, particularly from our ends Brad Boyer and Larry Schleicher," said Redd. "We named them co-offensive players of the week for their efforts."

Celebration of the victory will be short for the Cat's as the third ranked NAIA Division I Central Arkansas Bears visit Richenbrode Stadium Saturday for a 1:30 showdown. The Cat's have lost their two previous meetings to the Bears by scores of 27-7 and 24-6. The Bears are presently 3-0, having defeated three MIAA opponents (North-east, Southeast and Central).

"They are an aggressive, small, but extremely quick football team. They are probably the quickest football team we will face this year," said Redd. "We'll have to throw more than we did against Fort Hays (seven passes) and have a more balanced offense."

Ahhhhhhh...

The sweet taste of victory

By Cheryl Krell
Sports Editor

"It was crazy, man! Everyone was jumpin' up and down, hollerin' and screamin'! It was great!"

That was Dan Waters' reaction to the 17-7 win over the Fort Hays State Tigers last week. The win was the first in a long 15 game losing streak for the Bearcats.

Wayne Allen, who played a major role in the victory with two interceptions and

one touchdown, said, "It was a really good feeling--one that's been a long time in coming. I think now we have the winning attitude back. Winning that first one is really important, though it seemed so tough to get."

"A great feeling! It's like a new beginning," said Brad Sellmeyer. "All that I could think about was that it would be a great trip home. It was like doing something new...something that we almost had forgotten how to do."

Although he sat on the sidelines during the game, Robert Paul still felt

the excitement of the first win.

"I was on the sidelines, but it was still crazy. It was still a team effort and everyone celebrated," he said.

"When the seconds ticked off the clock and we were ahead, everyone started realizing that we had won," said Mark Harward. "Everything just kind of erupted! It was something that we had been so hungry for. We just went nuts."

"It was an important win for us," said Harward. "Now we know that we have the talent."

Intramurals 'coming along'

The intramural program this year is "coming along," according to Doug Peterson, intramural director. Despite a lack of officials and other small problems, Peterson believes that the teams are doing well.

"We really have some good teams this year," he said. "There is a lot of competition."

As of last Friday the TKE's lead the league A fraternity 5-0, and the Folies lead the league B fraternity 4-0. In the independent leagues, SNAFU leads league A, 5-0; LAGNAF leads league B, 4-0; Six Packers lead league C, 3-0; and Orange Crush leads league D, 3-0.

Harriers head for Columbia

By Randy Poe
Staff Writer

The Bearcat cross country team will travel to Columbia, Missouri where they will participate in the Missouri Inter-Collegiate Championships on Sept. 28. This will be the first chance head coach Richard Alsop will have to get a look at his team's performance on a large scale.

"This all-Missouri meet will be the first time in which our guys will run as a team and show me what kind of strength we are going to have," Alsop said.

There will be two races run in the meet, a 5,000 meter run and a 10,000 meter race. Each school will be able to place three men in each race, combining the best three scores from the team effort.

The Bearkitten cross country team will be in Illinois Sept. 29 for the Western Illinois Invitational.

On Oct. 6, the NWMSU Men's and Women's Cross Country Invitational will be held. Although there are only three teams entered so far, Alsop hopes for eight to ten teams to enter and make the meet a strong one.



The Sig Tau quarterback eyes a receiver downfield as a Phi Sig Chode defender looks on. The Sig Taus won the intramural football game Sept. 24, 18-13.

Bearkittens drop record to 5-9

By Dwayne McClellan
Staff Writer

The NWMSU Bearkitten volleyball team's record dropped to 1-3-2 in match play and 5-9 in all games after last week's action against top teams from the region.

The 'Kittens split with two teams and lost to two teams in the Kansas State Invitational. The squad split with

Pittsburg State in the opening match 18-16 and 13-15, and also split with the University of Kansas 12-15 and 15-13.

The Kittens lost their last two games of the tournament to Tulsa University by scores of 15-6 and to the University of Northern Colorado 15-4 and 15-5.

"This was a tough tournament and as it is early in the season we could not expect to win facing the larger and better schools as early as we did," said coach Pam Stanek.

The Kittens then journeyed to St. Joseph to play the Griffons of Missouri Western. The Kittens lost three close games 15-7, 15-12, and 15-8.

Coach Stanek said, "Missouri Western is one of the top teams in the state and they are really tough, as most of their players have been playing together for the past three years, while we are mainly freshmen and sophomores. If we keep improving we may have a chance to beat them the next time."

Sept. 25 the 'Kittens took a little bit of a hop out of the Kangeroos as they downed the University of Missouri at Kansas City 15-7, 15-4 and 15-9.

This Friday, 'Kittens travel to Wichita, Kansas to participate in the Wichita State Invitational, a highly competitive tournament according to Stanek.

"If everybody plays up to their capabilities then we should win our pool and make the finals," said Stanek.

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